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In re Patent No. 6,227,456
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Application No. 09/512,096
Filed: February 24, 2000
Attorney Docket No. None
Petition Filed: October 1, 2010

SUBJECT: For Reconsideration of decision on petition, refusing to accept
unintentionally delayed payment of maintenance fee in an expired
patent under 37 CFR 1.378 (e)

TO: Alicia Kelly
Petitions Examiner
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A petition fee of \$400.00 is enclosed as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 (f) for the reconsideration of the filed petition 37 CFR 1.378 (c). A reference copy of the original petition has been enclosed for your review. The deficient surcharge amount of \$1,575.00 for the petition has also been enclosed. My explanation as to why I sent the \$65.00 amount for the surcharge for the petition is as follows. The USPTO online website listing for maintenance fees show two separate columns, with large entity amounts and small entity amounts that differ between the two. The surcharge after expiration line for late payment is unintentional showed the \$1,640.00 amount in the large entity column with a diagonal line separating the small entity column which was blank. This led me to believe I was sending you the correct surcharge amount for a small entity patent. I respectfully request for you to review this section of the USPTO website patent fee schedule.

Sincerely,



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